

Sepsis: Recognition, assessment and early management guideline (update) GCOMM4 minutes

Sepsis: recognition, assessment and early management – Scoping and protocol meeting

Date: 05/12/2024

Location: Virtual

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:		
Ann Hoskins (Chair)		Present for notes 1 – 7
Mervyn Singer (Topic Adviser)		Present for notes 1 – 7
Sam Alimam		Present for notes 1 – 7
Louise Bradbury		Present for notes 1 – 7
Tumena Corrah		Present for notes 1 – 7
Peter Gosling		Present for notes 1 – 7
Alasdair Gray		Present for notes 1 – 7
Jeremy Henning		Present for notes 1 – 7
Tessa Lewis		Present for notes 1 – 7
Paddy McMaster		Present for notes 1 – 7
Ashley Reed		Present for notes 1 – 7
Giovanni Satta		Present for notes 1 – 7
Kirstie Tomlinson		Present for notes 1 – 7

NICE team in attendance:		
Robby Richey	Topic Lead	Present for notes 1 – 7
Martin Allaby	NICE Consultant Clinical Adviser	Present for notes 1 – 7
Lindsay Claxton	Technical Adviser, Health Economics	Present for notes 1 – 7
Lee-Yee Chong	Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1 – 7
Anthony Gildea	Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1 – 7
James Hall	Senior Guidance Content Designer	Present for notes 1 – 7
James Jagroo	Senior Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1 – 7
Jon Littler	Project Manager	Present for notes 1 – 7

Apologies:	
Astrid Aregui	NICE Senior Guidance Content Designer
Samina Begum	Committee member – Lay member
Barry Murphy-Jones	Committee member – Paramedic
Kirsty Luckham	NICE Health Economist
Marlies Ostermann	Committee member – Consultant in Critical Care

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1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting
<p>The Committee Chair, Ann Hoskins (AH) welcomed the committee to day 2 of the fourth committee meeting for the latest update to the Sepsis guideline.</p> <p>AH then asked if the committee had any new interests to declare that had not already been recorded on the recently circulated register. There were no further interests to declare.</p> <p>AH then moved the meeting on to the first main item on the agenda.</p>
2. Recommendation review – Review question 7: What factors of groups of factors lead to a higher risk of developing sepsis?
<p>AH introduced Senior Technical Analyst James Jagroo (JJ) and Technical Analyst Anthony Gildea (AG) to give the first presentation of the day. The opened with an overview of the old 2016 recommendations on risk factors and how it had been subsequently refined by committee discussion.</p> <p>The committee were invited to comment on the rationales for their additions and changes and were asked if they were satisfied with the current draft before it went to consultation in 2025.</p> <p>After a detailed discussion, AH thanked JJ and AG for their presentation, and the committee for their contributions, and moved on to the next item on the agenda.</p>
3 – 5. Recommendation review – Review questions 3, 4, 5 and 6: Hypoperfusion, IV fluids and vasopressors
<p>For the next 3 items on the agenda, JJ and AG remained as presenters and revisited the recommendations made so far for review questions 3 and 4 (organ hypoperfusion) review question 5 (IV fluids for resuscitation) and review question 6 (vasopressors).</p> <p>As with review question 7, the committee were invited to comment on the rationales for their additions and changes and were asked if they were satisfied with the current draft before it went to consultation in 2025.</p> <p>Once again, AH thanked JJ and AG for their presentation, and the committee for their contributions, and moved on to the next item on the agenda.</p>
6. Treating Sepsis in acute mental health settings.
<p>For the penultimate item of the day, AH introduced Kirstie Tomlinson, Committee Member, to give a brief presentation on the unique challenges of identifying sepsis in acute mental health settings. Kirstie then took questions from the other committee members as well as the development team so that the recommendations could be refined and adapted accordingly.</p> <p>AH then thanked Kirstie for the for contributions, and all committee and development team members for their work in preparing for the week's meetings and moved on to the final item.</p>
7. AOB, Summary and next steps
<p>Project Manager Jon Littler (JL) advised the committee that the updated recommendations drafted from this meeting would be sent to them for further review within 2 weeks. JL then also advised he would soon be scouting for possible dates for the post-consultation committee.</p>

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AH then thanked everyone for their attendance and their contributions and closed the meeting.

Date of next meeting: 05 December 2024

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